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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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 Nesper, et al.) Examiner: **J. Swiger III**
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 Application No.: **10/731,284**) Art Unit: **3775**
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 Filed: **December 9, 2003**)
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 For: **IMPLANT FOR FIXING ADJACENT BONE PLATES**)

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By: *Denise Pastor*
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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Dear Sir:

In response to the Interview Summary Form dated November 2, 2009, Applicants herewith submit the required Statement of the Substance of the Interview held on September 25, 2009.

Applicants agree with the substance of the interview set forth by the Examiner on the Interview Summary Form.

This statement is being filed within thirty days from the mailing date of the Interview Summary Form PTOL-413.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 2, 2009
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